

EPIPHANY
JANUARY 06, 2019

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PARISH
7105 Cass Ave. DENTON, NE 68339
Parish priest: Msgr. Mark Huber
Regular Sunday Masses: Sat. Vigil: 5:00 pm
8am, 10am, 12 noon

◆ Daily Mass: 8:00 am
Confession: ½ hour before weekend Masses
or anytime upon request

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MASSES INTENTIONS 1/07/18- 1/13/19

Mon - 8am - Bobbie Dietrich
Tues - 8am - Russell Pickel
Wed - 8am - Julie Sullivan
Thurs - 8am - Teresa Witherspoon
Fri - 8am - Gene Rezac
Sat - 8am - Classmates 60-62'
5pm - John & Marie Slater
Sun - 8am - Irene Bauer
10am - Jerald Voboril
12 noon - all people

PARISH THINGS: // Jan. 7th 6:15am men's gathering // Jan. 8th Bible Class 6:45-8pm // Jan. 12th 7-8am holy hour // Jan. 13th 7pm Saints on Tap hosted by Don Urbanovsky // Jan. 15th Epiphany dinner // Jan. 21st Knights of Columbus meeting // Jan. 27th 7pm Vino et Veritas hosted by Carol Heesacker

"FOODNET:Volunteers serve at Denton Comm. Center, 5pm Mondays, assist preparing meals at 3:30pm, pick up food from different locations on Mondays 1-3, or clean up at the end, contact John Hetcko or Mary Coulter.

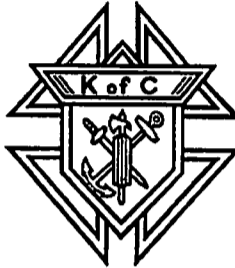
CHURCH CLEANING: January: Deb Ruhlman, Jessica Becker, Lynda Peterson, Deb Henkel, Mary Jo Griffin, Rosemary Clements, Mary Lee Jurgens, Pam Mechtenberg, Barb Sullivan, Sara Winters, Michelle Richards; Thank you to those who helped last month, Janyce Ostrander, Carmen Hesser, Paige Mongeon, Beth Coufal, Jodi Gabel, Audine Oehm, Judy Gant, Linda Jeffery, Judy Lewis, Amanda Wasser;

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY: 12-30-18
Tithe:\$8,262.00; Loose plate: \$240.54; retired priests: \$400.00; Votive:\$46.00.

PRAYER LINE: Parishioners will pray for your intentions, bootswailes@aol.com or 402-328-9730

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Jim Ashenbach (Matthew Ashenbach & Erin Uribe); Charles & Carol Doyle (parents and grandparents); Gary & Johnna Gandara (Bert & Eva Goldsby and Gandara/Goldsby family and friends); Kevin & Mary Jo Griffin (John & Marie Slater; Gene & Dorothy Griffin) Chris & Ann Hobbs (Larry & Ardelle Osenga); John & Mary Anne Juricek (Juricek & Spatz families); Jody & Cindy Kraenzel (Vaverka & Kraenzel families); Ben & Ginger Martin (family & friends); Maxine Pekarek (Dwayne Pekarek); Larry & Anne Pickel (+Kozisek & Pickel families); Kevin & Boots Wailes (Clayton Wailes); Tim & Deanna Wismer (CJ & Barbara Wismer, Al & Leona Liewer)

NEARBY EVENTS: // Marian Mantle prayer group meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month 3pm in the Flanagan room at Madonna Hospital to pray for faith for children // Pray the rosary 9:30 or 1pm on Tues. outside the Lincoln abortion clinic // NFP intro session Jan. 10th & 29th 7pm @John23rd Ctr, see www.lincolndiocese.org/nfp // Jan. 10-11th Winter Symposium for the Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women // Jan. 13th 7pm at Gianna's Java & Gelato, talk on forgiveness by Ian Butler // Jan. 18, 19, 26 @7pm & Jan. 20& 27@2pm STAGE play at St. Teresa's in Lincoln // Jan. 25th 7:30-10:30 Villa Marie Dance at the PlaMor dance hall, music led by Bobby Layne & Orchestra // Jan. 26th 10am Walk for life at the State Capitol // June 10-14 summer days with Christ the King Sisters for children who completed 1st to 8th grade. //



Knights of Columbus Council #11737 is providing the bulletins for 2019; charity, unity, fraternity & patriotism are the pillars of this organization. Contact Jeff Sears, 402- 419-2172 or Bill Chapman, 402- 416-3277 for more information.

LITURGY PLANS- Jan. 12/13, 2019

5pm vigil	8am	10am	
Clements	Shinaut	Jurgens	music
Clements	Kouma	Kluge	reader
Ruhlman	Chapman	Voboril	aclte
Griffin	Shinaut	Ryan	ushr
	Riley	Bratnsroth	ushr
Griffin	Pickel	Ellerbee	gifts
	Chapman	Voboril	svrv
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12 noon not assigned

John Paul II: Man cannot live without love. He remains a being that is incomprehensible to himself, his life is senseless, if love is not revealed to him, if he does not encounter love, if he does not experience it and make it his own, if he does not participate intimately in it. It is Christ the Redeemer who fully reveals man to himself.

FAMILY LIFE OFFICE: Type in "diocese of lincoln"; for events/ opportunities. For study from home go to "Education", under religious education there are good materials.

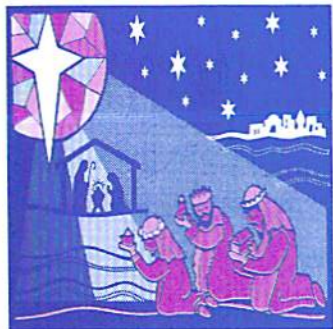
POPE'S INTENTIONS: That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel.

PARENT PROTECTION OF CHILDREN:

<https://www.lincolndiocese.org/protection-of-youth>

Epiphany (also 12th Night or 3 Kings Day) marks the occasion of a time-honored Christian tradition of "chalking the doors." The formula for the ritual is simple: take chalk and write the following above the entrance of your home: 20 + C + M + B + 19.

The letters have two meanings. First, they represent the initials of the Magi — Caspar, Malchior, and Balthazar — who came to visit Jesus in His first home. They also abbreviate the Latin phrase, Christus mansionem benedicat: "May Christ bless the house." The "+" signs represent the cross, and the "20" at the beginning and the "18" at the end mark the year. Taken together, this inscription is performed as a request for Christ to bless those homes so marked and that He stay with those who dwell therein throughout the entire year.



JOURNEY OF TRANSFORMATION

Tradition, poetry, and literature have long reflected upon the story of the magi. The journey of the magi indeed resonates with journeys in our own lives. The journey is a search for a “king,” for what or who is of primary importance in life. The seekers lose direction and encounter obstacles and dangers. Searching for a king, the magi first come upon a false king, Herod. The reappearance of the star shows them the true path and leads to the true king.

For Matthew, the journey culminates in the magi’s worship of Jesus. They discover a king not clothed in grandeur, but wrapped in humility and simplicity. They begin to re-imagine what true royal power really is. Transformed by the journey, they embrace the humble king, Jesus.

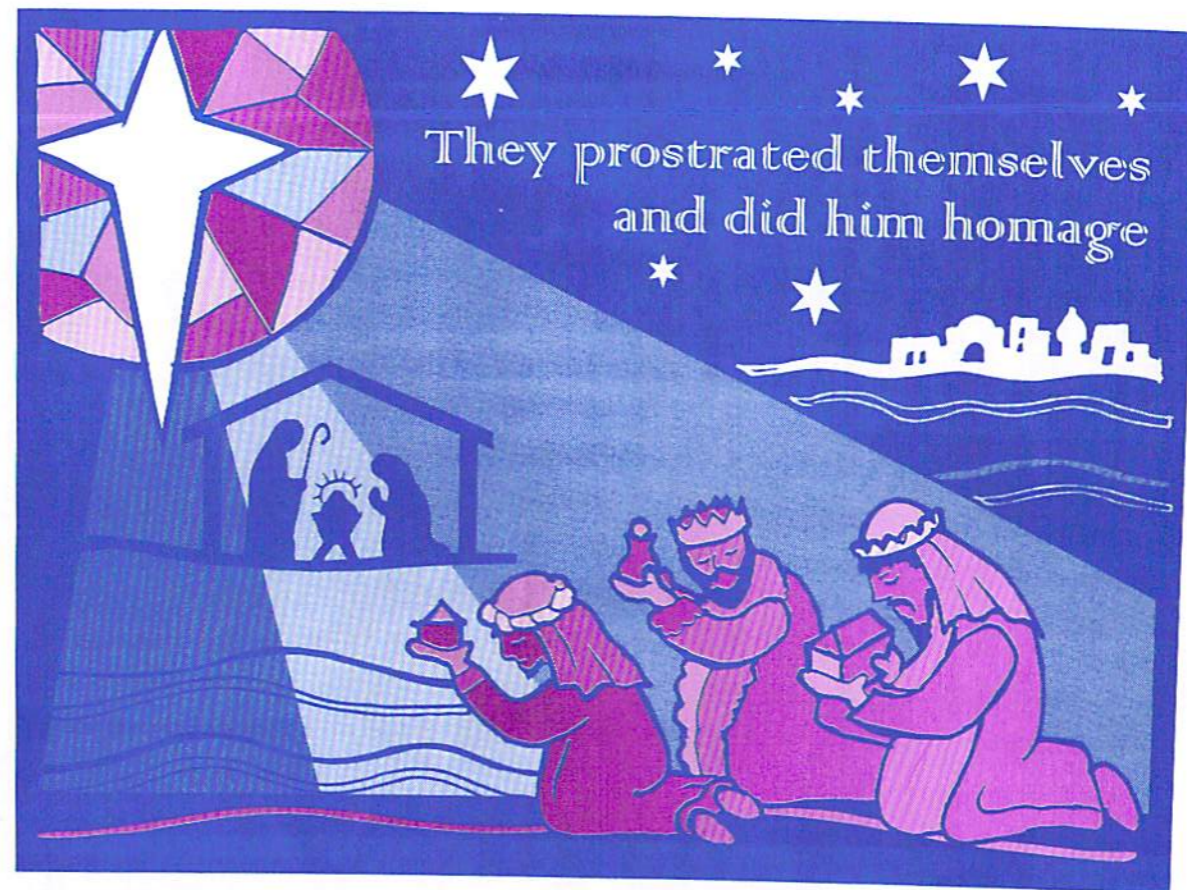
INSIDERS AND OUTSIDERS

An epiphany is a manifestation, a revelation of what was hidden, and often a challenge to change. For Matthew’s community, the story of the magi challenged these new Christians, from both Jewish and Gentile origin. The insiders, those rooted in the Jewish scriptures and traditions, might be uncomfortable with the magi, and with God working within Gentile culture to draw them toward God. The outsiders, the Gentiles, would rejoice that God calls them from within their own roots. But they knew that they too were called to their own journey of transformation.

Who are insiders and outsiders today? Some might see strangers as threats to accustomed ways of honoring and serving God. Others might believe that they themselves are too distant, concluding that they cannot be accepted in Christian community, and perhaps tune out God’s activity in their lives. Still others might think that belief in Christ serves as another dividing line between people, preventing them from seeing all persons as God’s children. The story of the Epiphany reminds us that classifying insiders and outsiders is an illusion, a falsehood arising from a separation from God. When we are united with God, we can only see others as sisters and brothers.

Today’s Readings: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

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January 6, 2019 • The Epiphany of the Lord

In our celebration of the Epiphany, two interwoven themes are present in the readings today. God is beginning something new, and God gathers all of humanity to participate. For Isaiah, God’s bright light, manifested in the people of Israel, attracts and summons people from many nations to Jerusalem. In the letter to the Ephesians, God’s grace makes the Gentiles co-heirs and co-partners in the gospel. Matthew tells the story of the fulfillment of God’s

promises to Israel through the birth of Jesus, simultaneously leading foreigners to share in these same promises. With the birth of Jesus, God chose a particular people, in a particular time and place, to enter most directly into the human story. Today’s readings teach that God did this in order to gather all people, all cultures, into unity with God. Like the magi, we are drawn into a journey toward God, becoming co-partners in God’s work.

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